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Anywho... I'm your eclectic DJ (Zine Jockey for those uninformed) 8-Track TeckHead, the undead cyborg from Milford.
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THE BLURB

Issue 20, feelin' FUNNY! So funny that I couldn't think of a TITLE for this ISSUE! I've been FIRIN' on all CYLINDERS tryin' to get my t-shirts a-situated in a timely fashion! My NITE SKOOL professor, Professor Flyers, keeps tellin' me I gotta build a presence on-line before peddlin' warez. He put me onto these HIP 'n HAPPENIN' SOCIAL NETWORKS. I'll admit, 'ol TeckHead's a 'lil SHAKEN, but I think I got the HANG-of-it! I'm JACKED-IN on-line a LOT, but I usually join these kindsa things on my OWN ACCORD! Oh well, if it's for my burgeonin' BIZ, then... SO BE IT!!! Y'know what else? That's not ALL I've been chippin' away at... I also got somethin' REAL huge conin' up! Er... On an unrelated note... 'membа when I said that I'd have a bootleg-a the time I performed my lit single RATTLESNAKE live? Well... turns out the tape recorder I always carry around was OUTTA BATTERIES! CRAP! Uh... don't PANIC! Anywho... don't let that get ya down, ya gotta stay ECLECTIC!

TECKHEAD'S PICKS

Cassetta's Flick

Nightmare in Wax - 1969

Good evening, Ladies and Larries. Tracky and I recently celebrated our anniversary doing what we do any other day: watching a horror flick that we get way too optimistic about. I'm not too big on big celebrations. I don't know why we always go into these kinds of films with such a glimmer in our eyes. I know all too well that it's going to suck, but Tracky always says "Well, what if it's alright?" Like clockwork! And I always believe him! Still, I enjoy sharing in the universal misery of consuming schlock. As for the flick, "Nightmare in Wax" is a cheap cash grab at the success of "House Of Wax". Which is crazy to me considering that flick came out in 1953. What took them so long?! Back to "Nightmare", the film is, to put it succinctly, boring. Apart from the sudden performance of "The T-Bones", the super trippy ending, and the costume (but not the character) design of our main antagonist, this movie has nothing good to offer. Really? The guy uses "truth serum" to put actors in an eternal state of suspended animation? Give me a goddamn break! I would say give this flick a pass. If you really feel like watching a horror film about a wax museum, just watch "House" for goodness sakes!

Genre: Plain Horror
Runtime: 91 Minutes
Director: Bud Townsend
Writer: Rex Carlton

TECKHEAD'S PICKS

The Bambi Slam - Is...

MAN! It's been a HOT MINUTE since I heard an 80's alternative record that kicked me in the cybernetic TEETH like the BAMBI SLAM! Ya see, the Bambi Slam was this short-lived alt-rock band from the 80's featurin' yer average rock-'n-roll roster with one minor quirk... a CELLIST! I get CRAZY when there's a tasteful string section in an otherwise HARD ROCKIN' TUNE! It's RUDE, CATERWAULIN', 'n ever-so-slightly classy! My personal FAV'RITE track would hafta be "Bamp-Bamp", cuz I'm just a sucker for repetitious slammin' power chords. Y'know, this record in particular is actually a collection-a singles the band released before loosin' their first album, a self-titled joint. It's a damn shame that shortly after THAT one hit the scene, Roy Feldon, the frontman, went totally BERZERK 'n sacked the whole band, makin' it a... shiver... SOLO PROJECT! Not cool, Roy.

All-in-all, I give this CRANK'D-UP Compilation 4.5 OUTTA 5 TECKHEADS!

Genre: Alt-Rock
Country: Britain
Label: Rough Trade
Released: 1987

ODBAL'S PICKS

Odbal's Pick

No Tolerance For Instruments - Jud Jud

Heh-heh-HEY boisengoils! It's time for an Odbal Pick! Sometimes I feel like TeckHead 'n I've been BUTTIN' HEADZ lately! He keeps playin' that BLARIN' PUNK ROCK on his little pirate radio show 'n it's VIRBRATIN' my BONY HEAD! I tried to give it a chance.... but it's just too LOUD! TOO LOUD! TOOOOOOO LOOOOUUUUDDDD-uh! That's when I discovered this STRAIGHT-EDGE band! TeckHead keeps yappin' aboot bein' straight edge, somethin' aboot "no smokin', no drinkin'..." NO FUN TO ME! But these fellas... uh... Jud Jud; they took things a step FURTHER! They said... NO INSTRUMENTS! No twangers, no buckets! Just their LARYNXES! SO much more soothin' to the STAPES! They should open for Beavis 'n butthead sometime!

A pretty ODD BALL. Odbal Pick, eh? Jud-jud, juh-WAH! Jud-jud, juh-WAH! WiddlyWiddlyWiddlyWiddly WAAAAAHHHHH!

Country: USA
Label: Schematics Records
Released: 1998
Genre: Straight-Edge

TECKHEAD'S PICKS

Total Distortion - Windows 3.0

"You Are Dead! Dead! Dead!"

...this was made for me. THIS VIDEOGAME WAS MADE FOR ME!!!! Ok, calm down, TeckHead, it's just... no videogame has matched 'n even EXCEEDED the ECLECTIC spirit-a CHAINGUN ISLAND before. Deep breaths... deep. Cybernetic breaths. Ok, so in Total Distortion, scientists figured out how to traverse dimensions, discover that the various dimensions correspond to different parts-a pop-culture! You play as this music video producer who builds a "Media Tower" 'n teleports to the DISTORTION DIMENSION with the intent-a makin' 'n-sellin' music videos to folks back on Earth! All the while, ya gotta keep yer self fed, hydrated, well-rested... as well as battlin' robotic guitar devils with the power-a rock SEE WHAT I MEAN?! What more? This game is OOZIN' with catchy tunes, random imagery, 'n completely OUTTA-THIS-WORLD VIZUALS!!! It's... ECLECTIC!!! I just had to see who made this subconscious scan in CD-ROM form. So I looked up sum info 'n discovered the sidebumed man behind all-a-this. Joe Sparks. Dude. This fella's got the most INSANE sidebums! OF COURSE HE MADE THIS! That bein' said, while Total Distortion is CHOCK-FULL-A style, it kinda lacks in the ...playability department! There's so many movin' parts that sometimes I can't even get a read on what I should be doin'!

After all-a-that, I'm givin' this ECLECTIC Electronic Entertainment 3.5 Outta 5 TeckHeads.

Man, I gotta meet this Joe Sparks fella. I just wanna PICK HIS BRAIN... 'n scratch his sidebums...

Developer AND Publisher: Pop Rocket
Released: 1995